

In Re: Mary Estime-Irvin		
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C20-03-01

## **Public Report and Final Order**

Complainant, Stephanie Kienzle (Kienzle), filed this complaint against North Miami Councilwoman Mary Estime-Irvin, (Estime-Irvin). Kienzle alleged that Estime-Irvin was possibly in violation of the City of North Miami City Charter by failing to maintain her residence within her district.

Kienzle's complaint also pointed out that Estime-Irvin transferred ownership (quit-claimed) her qualifying residence at 155 NE 131st Street to a third party, VWC LLC, on or about April 2018, and that she subsequently filed Campaign Treasurer's Reports (CTRs) with the City on or about December 2019, wherein she continued to list 155 NE 131st Street as her residence.

These facts implicated a possible violation of Section (A)(2) of the Citizen's Bill of Rights (CBR) entitled, *Truth in Government*.

Investigation determined that Odilon Celestin is the principal of VWC LLC, the entity that Estime-Irvin quit-claimed her residence to in 2018. Mr. Celestin advised that Councilwoman Estime-Irvin has resided at the property in question, 155 NE 131<sup>st</sup> Street in North Miami, at all times material to this inquiry.

A US Postal Inspector provided the COE with an address verification for the subject property at 155 NE 131<sup>st</sup> Street in North Miami, Florida, 33161, and advised that the individual receiving mail at this address was Mary Estime-Irvin.

Based on the investigation as well as other documentation received from Estime-Irvin, the Advocate recommended a finding of No Probable Cause.

In open session, the Commission voted unanimously to enter a finding of No Probable Cause and dismissed the complaint.

Wherefore, it is:

**ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** that COMPLAINT C 20-03-01 against Mary Estime-Irvin is hereby dismissed.

**DONE AND ORDERED** by the Miami-Dade County Commission on Ethics & Public Trust in public session on this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COMMISSION ON ETHICS & PUBLIC TRUST

By:

Nelson C. Bellido, Esq.

Chairman

Signed on : 4/14/2520